

November 15, 2013

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Subject: Allied Paper, Inc./Portage Creek/Kalamazoo River Superfund Site  
Supplemental Remedial Investigations/Feasibility Studies  
Monthly Progress Report, October 2013

Dear Jim:

Attached is the 80<sup>th</sup> monthly progress report for the Allied Paper, Inc./Portage Creek/Kalamazoo River Superfund Site (Site) Supplemental Remedial Investigations/Feasibility Studies (SRI/FS). The monthly progress report is submitted per Paragraph 37 of the February 2007 Administrative Settlement Agreement and Order on Consent (AOC), Docket No. V-W-07-C-864, and Section 7.1 of the associated Statement of Work (SOW). This report is also submitted per Paragraph 19a of the 2007 AOC for Removal Action (Docket No. V-W-07-C-863) and Paragraph 19a of the 2009 AOC for Removal Action (Docket No. V-W-09-C-925).

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



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### Monthly Progress Report for the Allied Paper, Inc./Portage Creek/ Kalamazoo River Superfund Site SRI/FS

#### REPORT #80, OCTOBER 2013

#### Significant Developments and Activities during the Period:

- On October 11, 2013, AMEC, on behalf of Georgia-Pacific, notified USEPA and MDEQ that reconnaissance activities would be conducted in Area 4 beginning the week of October 21, 2013. Reconnaissance activities conducted in Area 4 in October included erosion pin survey, staff gage installation, and bathymetric survey activities.
- On October 14, 2013, Georgia-Pacific submitted its Response to USEPA and MDEQ Comments to the November 2012 *Draft Area 2 SRI Report*.
- On October 15, 2013, Georgia-Pacific submitted the Monthly Progress Report for September 2013 (Report #79). A CD containing analytical data results from the sampling activities outlined in the *Area 3 SRI/FS Supplemental FSP* and conducted from July to September 2013 was submitted to USEPA and MDEQ with that report.
- On October 30, 2013, Georgia-Pacific received USEPA draft comments on the revised *Draft Area 1 FS*.
- On October 31, 2013, Georgia-Pacific received MDEQ draft comments on the revised *Draft Area 1 FS*.
- Georgia-Pacific awaits the following:
  - MDEQ's complete response to the January 9, 2013 Freedom of Information Act request.
  - USEPA response to the revised *Draft Area 1 FS*, submitted July 29, 2013.
  - USEPA comments on the revised *Draft Area 2 SRI Report*, submitted September 20, 2013.
  - USEPA comments on the technical memo on the proposed 2013 bank maintenance for Plainwell No. 2 Dam Area, submitted on October 4th.

#### Data Collected and Field Activities Conducted during the Period

- Field activities conducted within Area 4 in October 2013 included erosion pin survey, staff gage installation and bathymetric survey activities. These activities represent a portion of the reconnaissance activities outlined in the USEPA-approved *Area 4 SRI/FS Work Plan*.

#### Laboratory Data Received during the Period

- None.

#### Problems

- None.

#### Actions Taken to Correct Problems

- NA.

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**Developments Anticipated during the Next Two Reporting Periods**

- Georgia-Pacific plans to host a conference call on November 12, 2013 with USEPA and MDEQ to discuss draft comments related to the revised *Draft Area 1 FS*.
- Georgia-Pacific plans to host a conference call on November 14, 2013 with USEPA, MDEQ, and the project Work Group to discuss fish trend projections presented in the revised *Draft Area 1 FS*.
- Georgia-Pacific plans to meet with USEPA and MDEQ in November 2013 to discuss draft comments related to the revised *Draft Area 1 FS*.
- Georgia-Pacific plans to meet with USEPA and MDEQ in November 2013 to discuss preliminary information related to the Area 2 ASTM approach.
- Georgia-Pacific anticipates receipt of USEPA final comments on the revised *Draft Area 2 SRI Report*.
- Georgia-Pacific plans to perform bank maintenance in the Plainwell No. 2 Dam Area following USEPA approval of the tech memo submitted on October 4.
- Georgia-Pacific plans to submit the *Draft Area 3 SRI Report* to USEPA for review during the month of November.
- Georgia-Pacific plans to participate on a conference call on November 18, 2013 with USEPA-Superfund and USEPA-GLNPO to discuss design and schedule related to removal of the Otsego Township Dam.
- Georgia-Pacific anticipates completion of Area 4 reconnaissance activities started the week of October 21, 2013 in December 2013.